Records, disappearance of 11/25/93 5:15 p.m.

The John Newmans were here for dinner. We talked before and after dinner.

From the conversation I could figure some files in which he could have an interest.

He did not know about the other number than the phony one the Warren Commission had for ~~him~~ Oswald, not S-172 but 110069. I had a special file on that with that number on it..

I had two "Agent Oswald" files but one with that number on the folder. It did include a Rankin memo on his and Warren's conversations of the Texans of the Texas Court of Inquiry. This nummber was in Rankin's memo. I remember it pretty clearly. Unlike so many Commission records, it was a clear memo, neatly typed and probably the ribbon copy. I had other relevant information in that file.

Both of these files are entirely missing. Both were in the Oswald drawer in my office. John checked the entire drawer. Neither file showed up. Nor did it any other place I could think of ~~xxx~~ checking.

We checked the overflow files in the basement. It was, rather they were not shifted there by mistake.

I do not recall anyone ever working in those files. Nobody working on an Oswald book was ever here.

If these do not show up elsewhere it is not easy for me to believe that they were stolen by any who worked here. The one possibility, and he expressed no interest in that, was Baltimore Policeman Richard Waybright, who was here often working for Harry Livingstone. If he had taken them and given them to Harry he surely would have found some way of making some use of some of that material. There is the possibility, perhaps, that Waybright stole them for Lifton, who was working on an Oswald book and for whom Waybright also worked.

Waybright never mentioned the subject of Oswald as an agent to me. But he could have spotted those file folders in browsing.

That drawer had been so overfilled that I had no space in it. I had to put some special research I did on Jean Davison's book in the front of the drawer below. But now there is enough room in the Oswald drawer for the Davison research, about two inches in folders. So, something is missing from the Oswald drawer and these two Agent Oswald file folders are not there.

11/26: Because these files are in my office they could not have been taken by those who worked in my FOIA records, in the basement. Aside from a burglary I can think of nobody who in many,mnay years worked in my office files other than Waybright. This is to say that I can think of nobody other than Waybright who could have taken them.

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